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New cogeneration plant in France based on GE Frame 9E gas turbines

ATLANTA, GA (February 5, 2002) – A new cogeneration plant in Gonfreville, France will feature two MS9001E gas turbines from GE Power Systems.

GE will supply the two Frame 9E machines, each with a power output of 123.4 megawatts, to COFIVA of Paris, France, the primary contractor for the project. Under the contract of approximately 50 million euros, GE also is responsible for the supply of two generators, a GE SPEEDTRONIC™ Mark VI turbine control system and a gas filter separator.

The owner of the new plant is Société de La Cogénération de Gonfreville l'Orcher, a joint venture including EDF of France, Texaco of the U.S. and Total Fina Elf of France. The plant will produce electricity for EDF, the French utility, and process steam for Total Raffinage Distribution, an area refinery.

The cogeneration facility is scheduled to begin commercial service in September of 2003, and could be converted to integrated gasification combined-cycle (IGCC) operation within five years. Natural gas will be the primary fuel until the IGCC conversion, when syngas will be used. A GE Dry Low NOx combustion system will be implemented to reduce NOx emissions.

The gas turbines will be manufactured in GE Power Systems' Belfort, France facility and will be shipped in August and September of 2002. To date, 63 GE-technology gas turbines have been ordered or installed for projects across France.

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